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(ALMALLAH DABAS, MOHANNAD)

SUBJECT: VISAS VIPER SUBMISSION

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11. POST WISHES TO SUBMIT AND/OR UPDATE THE FOLLOWING NAME AND INFORMATION IN CLASS IN ACCORDANCE WITH VIPER PROCEDURES:

12. DAILY PRESS OF MARCH 19, 2005 REPORTED THAT THE SPANISH POLICE DETAINED MOHANNAD ALMALLAH DABAS. HE WAS PREVIOUSLY ARRESTED ON MARCH 24, 2004 IN CONNECTION WITH THE MARCH 11TH TERRORIST ATTACKS, AND LATER RELEASED WITHOUT CHARGES. FURTHER INVESTIGATIONS HAVE LED THE EXAMINING JUDGE TO ORDER HIS ARREST AGAIN, BASED ON SUBSTANCIAL INCRIMINATING EVIDENCE. HE IS NOW ACCUSED OF MEMBERSHIP IN A TERRORIST ORGANIZATION. MOHANNAD ALMALLAH DABAS AND HIS BROTHER MOUTAZ ALMALLAH, THE SPIRITUAL LEADER OF THE CELL AND FOR WHOM THE SPANISH JUDGE HAS ISSUED AN INTERNATIONAL WARRANT OF ARREST, ALLEGEDLY RECRUITED YOUNG ISLAMISTS AND HAD MEETINGS WITH OTHER RADICAL ISLAMIST, INCLUDING SOME OF THE MADRID AND CASABLANCA TERRORIST ATTACKS PERPETRATORS. THE ARRESTED IS ALSO SUSPECTED OF HAVING FACILITATED TRAVEL DOCUMENTS TO AMER EL AZIZI, A MOROCCAN ASSOCIATED TO THE AL-QAEDA CELL IN SPAIN, WHO FLED IN NOV. 2001 AFTER A POLICE OPERATION AGAINST THE CELL.

13. NAME: ALMALLAH DABAS, MOHANNAD

- AKA: DABAS, MOHAMAD ALMALLAH
- GENDER: MALE
- DPOB: FEB. 25, 1964, DAMASCUS, SYRIA
- HE ALSO ACQUIRED SPANISH NATIONALITY
- CLASS: POSITIVE

14. THE EXAMINING JUDGE ORDERED HIS UNCONDITIONAL IMPRISONMENT.

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